FILE: B-212411

DATE: July 28, 1983

MATTER OF: Eagle I Limited

DIGEST:

Questions concerning small business size status will not be considered by GAO since conclusive authority over such matters is vested by statute in the Small Business Administration,

Eagle I Limited (Eagle) protests the proposed award of a contract to Universal Project by the Department of the Air Force under Solicitation No. F-04607-83-B-0025. Eagle asserts that Universal Project is ineligible for award because it is not a small business for this procurement.

Under 15 U.S.C. §637(b)(6)(1976), the Small Business Administration has exclusive authority to determine matters of small business size status for Federal procurement purposes. Williamson Machine Co. Inc., B-210580, February 7, 1983, 83-1 CPD 136. Therefore, our Office will not consider Eagle's protest concerning the small business size status of Universal Project.

The protest is dismissed,

Harry R. Van Cleve Acting General Counsel